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Dear Sir:

Applicants elect Group I (claims 1 to 13) in response to the Restriction
Requirement of June 3, 2008.

Applicants traverse the requirement to the extent of requesting that claims in
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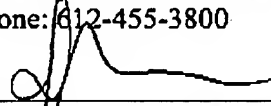
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